

HUALAPAI PROSECUTOR OFFICE

Mission Statement:

We are committed to ensuring that justice is done and the community is protected. We prosecute the guilty, safeguard the innocent, and protect victims and their rights. No one is above nor beneath the law and its protection. We are also committed to enhance and facilitate communication and coordinate to collaboratively engage integral federal agencies and tribal programs to impact crime and recidivism for the good of all community residents and visitors.

Location:

North of the Indian Health Clinic at 525 Oak Street in Peach Springs, Arizona

Services Provided by Program:

Review for court filing; all adult criminal and juvenile delinquency cases investigated and referred from the Hualapai Nation Police Department. Review for court filing, all juvenile dependency actions referred from Hualapai Human Services Department. Process all traffic citations issued by Hualapai Police department. Assist and work in coordination with Probation Office concerning all adjudicated matters assuring that all documents are received by Probation so they can monitor and supervised adjudicated adults and juveniles; and assist with prosecution of violations of probation. Assist Police with processing of fugitive warrants. Assist the Tribe with requests for exclusion of individuals. The Prosecutor's office also reviews and advises other tribal enforcement departments, as deemed necessary or appropriate. The Hualapai Prosecutor's office works collaboratively with the Hualapai Police Department, U.S. Attorney's Office and its federal agents, Hualapai Human Services Program, Hualapai Behavioral Health Department, the Hualapai Tribal Court, Probation Department and Hualapai Public Defender's office. The Chief Prosecutor participates as member of the Child Protection Team, Multi-Disciplinary Team, Comprehensive Justice Advisory Committee, Green Re-Entry, and Arizona Tribal Prosecutor's Association. The office received Coordinated Tribal Assistance (CTAS) grant funding in October, 2011; those monies were proposed to target youth in the court system offering them a diversion program; Lou Jaramilla and Muriel Scott

were hired early this year (2013) who have been working with youth and families implementing the diversion program that is under developmental stages. The Office applied for another grant from CTAS in 2013; this grant proposed funding in the amount of approximately \$950,000; to fund three positions: domestic violence specialized police investigator, prosecutor, judge, and project coordinator, grant funding notice is expected to be announced in October, 2013.

In mid to late 2005, the Office saw many major assault cases, those types of cases have substantially declined as many have been referred for federal prosecution. The current trend reflects more public intoxication and disorderly conduct charges.

Statistics: The following is a record of cases filed in court January 1, 2013 to June 30, 2013 (5 months). The average number of cases filed in court on a yearly basis is approximately 800 cases:

Criminal Cases filed in Court for prosecution :	255
Traffic Cases filed in Court for prosecution :	138
Juvenile Delinquency filed in Court :	035
Juvenile Dependency filed in Court :	003

Employees:

Gale Smith, Admin Assistant
Karla Johnson, File Clerk
Lou Jaramillo, Juvenile Pre-Trial Officer (OJJDP Grant Program)
Muriel Scott, Juvenile/Family Prosecutor (OJJDP Grant Program)
Marie James, Chief Prosecutor

Hours of Operation:

Monday – Friday: 8:00 am. to 5:00 p.m.
Closed: Saturday and Sunday

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Attached is a flow chart for juvenile cases processed through the courts.
Adults processed through court go through the following processes:

1. Arraignment
 - a. If settled at arraignment it goes to sentencing
 - b. If not settled it goes to pre-trial
 2. Pre-Trial
 - a. Offer of settlement is made to alleged offender
 - i. If offer is accepted, plea proceedings are conducted and a defendant is either:
 1. Sentenced immediately; or
 2. A pre-disposition report and sentencing date is set
 - b. Offer of settlement is rejected:
 - i. Offender has option to ask for bench trial or jury trial
 - c. Motion hearing can be held at any time prior to deadline before trial.
 3. Trial
 - a. By Jury or Bench (Judge)
 - b. Evidence is heard by the Judge or Jury
 - c. Decision entered as to guilt or innocence
 4. Probation
 - a. If judgment calls for probation; supervision and monitoring.
 - b. If Judgment not followed or probationer reoffends:
 - i. Revocation; or
 - ii. Reinstatement of Probation
- Any services may be incorporated into judgment orders, including treatment.